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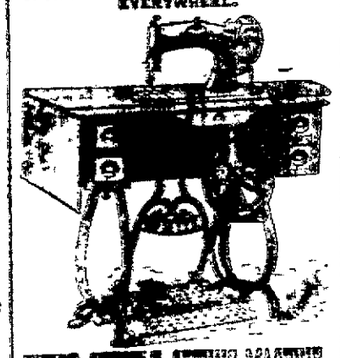

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Given clearer voice to sorrow yet unspoken,
Or been to suffering souls a surer token
That all of hope is fled.

But yet a sadder, drearier phrase than this
Sounds o'er some graves:
Those that no loving mourner bends to kiss,
So deep the waves
Have drawn the loved one to their wild protection,
Within no earthly bed of man's selection,
To wait alone the trump of resurrection
That wakes the sea's deep caves.

To wait alone! No friend may follow him
To that sad place,
That vast shoals where phantoms wild and grim
Meet face to face.
Lo! all around there breathes of desolation;
No lowly cross there whispers resignation,
No crown there tells of Christ's sweet compensation
And pardoning grace.

To wait alone! The dreary waters close,
And they will keep
Their secret well; the All-seeing only knows
Where he doth sleep;
His only requiem is the sea's pulsation;
A soul has passed beyond life's and probation—
All that remains of God's divine creation
Committed to the deep.

THE CHARCOAL BURNER.

One evening in the latter part of April, when the beer-room of the inn that is situated in the village of Schierke was pretty well filled with people, who were drinking and playing at cards and dice, there entered a young traveler who, casting his knapsack on the floor, announced himself as Max Banermann, a poor scholar of Heidelberg, traveling for pleasure and observation.

At his appearance a number of the villagers suspended their amusement for a moment to regard the stranger, and one of them, taking the long pipe from between his lips, courteously invited the new comer to sit down at the table, and partake of some beer. Nothing loth, Banermann accepted the invitation, and was soon entertaining them with stories of his adventures. So amusing were his narrations, that before the night closed Banermann found that he was very popular with the frequenters of the inn. During the week he tarried there this popularity increased, for he was a merry wight, who could talk Latin, dispute, wrestle, drink deep, sing and play cards, and this, in the minds of the simple folks of Schierke, was all sufficient for any man who was not a priest or philosopher. But there was something an very singular in regard to Banermann's card playing that many of the people regarded him with a sort of admiration oftentimes mingled with awe. Now & then could win a game when he played, and, notwithstanding they imagined they had good card players among them till he arrived, there was no one to be found who could successfully oppose him.

Sometimes, for the sake of testing his luck and skill, they resorted to unfair devices, but it was all the same, Max Banermann drank, roared his merry staves, and, playing on, put their schemes to naught, and pocketed all the stakes.

It chanced that Walpurgismacht arrived while Banermann was still at the inn, and, as usual, was engaged at cards, seated at one of the small tables. A crowd of villagers surrounded the players, and were boisterous in their mirth as Max won each successive game.

"If the evil one was at your elbow," cried a villager, "you could not do better. Who but he could play as you?"

"What do you know about him?" interposed a stout charcoal burner from the dark woods by the river Ilse, who had been standing among the throng, leaning on his fire prong, and watching the players. "What do you know about satan's skill at cards?"

"Oh! not much, not much," replied the other; "but perhaps you were born on the Hartz, and, if so, I dare say you will deny the existence of witch or demon."

"Indeed I do no such thing," answered the charcoal burner with a sarcastic leer, which looked doubly scornful on his harsh, black features. "But yet I think you ought to be a little more prudent in your speech on Walpurgismacht. Banermann is a fine young fellow, and remarkably lucky at games, but think you because he wins all your groschens, and you go away with empty pouches, he is the only man who has luck or skill?"

A loud and prolonged laugh greeted these remarks, and several of the party in derision called out: "Ah! he wishes to show his skill. Make place for the charcoal burner."

"You are not correct," my friends," retorted he; "I wish nothing of the kind, and did but make the remark without such a thought."

"You seem an honest fellow," cried Banermann, looking up, "and if you have a mind, I'll play you, but only for love, as I'll warrant your pocket is light."

"My pocket is not very heavy, 'tis true," returned the charcoal burner; "but still I have something in it, and I will accept your invitation, and stake a little coin."

Seating himself at the table amid the jeers of the company, a small bet was made, and the game began. At first Banermann seemed certain of winning; but pretty soon the charcoal-burner swept away the stakes. Cheer after cheer now arose from the villagers, and many patted the winner on his sooty shoulders. Banermann scratched his head and also joined in the laugh, and they commenced to play again. This time Banermann was successful, and the charcoal burner was laughed at and jeered by all in the beer-room. But when they had played a third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh game, and the stranger had won them all, Max Banermann was no longer considered invincible by the villagers.

It was becoming late, and the charcoal burner rising, said to Banermann: "You stand your defeat like a man, and yet I doubt if I could always beat you thus. Come, go home with me, and I'll play you such games as you never saw before in your life. No one should go to sleep to-night."

"And, pray, where is your dwelling? You promise heavily," replied Max.

"Do not ask questions, my dear friend," answered the stranger. "He who asks nothing hears the fewest lies. But as you desire particularly, I'll inform you. I reside between here and the Brocken, and I promise you a hearty welcome to my home. And if any of our friends here present will accompany us, I'll be glad to have them also."

"If it is only to see them play," replied a couple of villagers, "we'll go likewise."

"Let us set out, then," cried Banermann; "but hold!—Landlord, more beer," and they drained their flagons ere they departed.

The moon was shining brightly, the road was good, and Max Banermann found himself insensibly enchanted by his companion's conversation, which strangely enough turned upon the wonderful secrets of nature. Max was also astonished at the charcoal burner's voice, which, from its former rude and harsh tone, became sonorous and grand. The two villagers who traveled with them saw or heard nothing, doubtless only thinking of the games they were about to witness.

At length they came to a more steep path that led to a mountain, and through the moonlight, made gray by the mist, they saw a square, ruined tower rising from a green hill.

"That's my home," cried the charcoal burner.

A few minutes later they came to a postern gate that was crumbling to decay, and the stranger leading the way, bade them follow. They were ushered into a large apartment, on the chimney hearth of which burned a bright fire, for the weather was still cool. The walls of the room were dark with age and perfectly bare of ornament, and a long table, loaded with a substantial supper, and filled with flasks of Rhine wine, met their astonished gaze. Great wax candles in enormous candlesticks, threw a mellow glow over the scene, and long benches were ranged on each side of the board.

"Frederick," cried one villager to the other, "we ought to know the Hartz pretty well. Can you tell me where we are?"

"For the soul of me," replied the other, "I cannot. Came we not by the old road we know so well? But from whence comes this ruined castle? Since my childhood, I never have seen or heard of this place. Ah! my friend, I think we did wrong in accepting the charcoal burner's offer. What business has he in a spot like this?"

The stranger laughed loudly at this remark of his companion.

"Tush! tush!" he replied. "What is it that surprises you, my friend?" and he motioned to the benches. "Let's have some supper first, and we will play afterward."

They were all hungry, for the walk had been long, so they forthwith sat down and were soon merry over the splendid repast.

"Drink deep," cried the charcoal burner, filling their goblets. "You won't often get generous wine like this."

"'Tis truly very excellent," replied Banermann, who emptied one flask after another. "I would like to be your guest frequently."

The charcoal burner laughed.

"I will do you a good turn some of these days, perhaps," he said.

Supper over, they seated themselves and began to play. The first game was won by Banermann. The second was a drawn one. As they concluded the third game Banermann cried, "Lost, by St. Nicholas!"

"How can you expect to win, when you think and call upon saints!" said the stranger, scornfully. "We don't mention those names here."

One of the villagers nudged the other, and gave him a meaning look, as he whispered "I wish we were at home."

Every succeeding game was won by the the charcoal burner, who insisted they should keep up the drinking.

"Here's health to you, comrades," he cried. "One more goblet, and then I'll show you a famous garden that will gladden your eyes."

They swallowed their wine and, rising up, went after their host, who opened a heavy door, and led them into a garden filled with rare flowers, and trees laden with fruit.

Max Banermann placed his hand to his forehead, and with a bewildered look, exclaimed: "Apricots and melons in April! I never saw such a thing before."

"I wish we were at home, Frederick," sighed the affrighted villager to his companion.

"Look here, my friend," cried Banermann, "who in the demon's name are you?"

"Said I not to you," replied the charcoal burner, "that he who asked no questions was told the fewest lies?"

"You are a noble fellow, anyhow," cried Banermann; "only I don't quite believe you are what you seem. But be you charcoal burner or demon, I say again, you are a noble fellow."

"I wish we were at home, Frederick," repeated the trembling rustic. "I am afraid evil will come of this. The saints protect us! Ah, me!"

Frederick, whose head, perhaps, was the most clear of the party, for the first time addressed the charcoal burner in serious tones. "My friend," said he, "I only know you from seeing you in the village the past day. Some of our people said you lived in the forest by the Ilse. Tell me how it is you come here, and whose property are we now visiting, and what is your name?"

"My name is Franz; that will do. Don't be alarmed, comrades, because I tell you about to part company," he continued, turning about and addressing Banermann, "and to you, good card-player and splendid toper, I shall give a souvenir." Stooping, he picked up a small melon, and bidding his guests follow him, he conducted them to the road. Placing the melon in Banermann's hand, he bade him examine it in secret when he got home. "Those good fellows," he said, "now that they are on the road, will take you straight from whence you came, and in future years when some things that you may find hard to credit. But I will repeat you the truth, though I once had the reputation of being little given that way. This ruined old castle is, or rather was, the home of Count Franz Zimmerdorf."

"Heaven defend us!" cried both villagers in a breath; "the arch fiend carried him away, and he deserved it, for never has man, before or since, committed such crimes. Thank the saints! he has been dead these hundred years. I shouldn't have supposed the road we traveled would have brought us in this direction."

"My friends," replied the charcoal-burner, "one very frequently takes a road in life the termination of which astonishes him. Mortals are prone to err. We are you call to mind this Walpurgismacht, remember that you were entertained by Count Zimmerdorf, who died a hundred years ago."

As the words were spoken there came a loud report like thunder, and the three men stood alone when they recovered from their astonishment.

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Twenty years later there was a rich scholar in Germany, who never could content himself to abide long in any one spot. His fame as a historian and poet was world-wide. He was very learned and very credulous. He used to say that he was prepared to believe anything, no matter how extravagant, until it was proved to be impossible or false. "Would you," he was wont to say, "believe that a small melon placed in your hand at night would become a lump of pure gold when the sun arose in the morning?"

"We would not," replied his hearers.

"Neither could I have done so, but I would now."

The villagers of Schierke long cherished a recollection of Max Banermann, but they never saw him again.

A Georgia Farmer's Piano.

The Atlanta *Constitution* says: A seedy looking individual, evidently a farmer, walked into an stiction house a day or two since, and going up to the proprietor said, very confidentially "Mister, I'd like to get you to sell a piano for me to-day."

"Certainly, sir; where is the instrument?"

"Out here in my cart."

Mr. Ellis directed two or three negroes to assist in getting out the big music box, but the rustic told him "not to flutter," and going out for a minute, returned with a queer looking box in his arms, which he sat down with a look of triumph, and exclaimed: "Here she is!"

And there it was, a real piano, about as big as an ordinary cracker box on such legs as usually support a towel rack. It had five octaves of the smallest ivory keys. Its general build was so unique and odd that when shut nobody could tell what the curious box contained. It was made, so said a little ivory plate, in London in 1802. The keys had a sharp tinkling sound, but the scale ran perfectly. The owner said that he had had it a long time, and when first bought it had cost a large sum; but times had got so hard that all the fancy fixtures had to go.

The piano was at once put up, and its possessor watched the fate of his property with evident anxiety. Bidding was dull and nobody appreciated the machine. It lagged on, and when a fellow got it for $1.25 there was a sort of titter in the crowd. The old man looked disappointed as he took the pittance his treasure had brought.

Wanted Justice.

Englishmen seek redress in the courts for every private grievance, however petty. A gentleman arrived at King's Cross station, London, at four o'clock in the morning, and got into the third cab which he found at the stand, the first two being unattended. The driver refused to carry him to his destination, and insisted upon his calling the first cab. The Englishman procured the arrest of the driver later in the day, and a magistrate overruled the defense, which was that it was the practice of cabmen, who were often at the stand all night without getting a fare, that when a train arrived the first cab in the line should go off first and the others in their order. The cabman was informed that he had no right to enter into a combination with his associates, and was fined thirty shillings.

Trouble Among Liquor Dealers.

The Prohibitionists seem to have the liquor dealers of New York city at disadvantage. Not only may a wife recover damages from a landlord who has sold intoxicating beverages to her husband, but now it turns out that the keepers of licensed bar-rooms cannot legally sell liquor to be drunk on their premises, notwithstanding the excise board's guaranty in granting the license, the Legislature of the State having some years ago passed a law to that effect. Every liquor dealer in the city that has been selling liquor to be drunk on the premises, has been doing so in violation of law.

Song.

The wisest thieves in silver suit,
The rabbit runs in gray;
While Pan betakes his frosty flute
To pipe the cold away.
The ducks are fabled, boughs are bare,
The salmon takes the sea;
And oh, my fair, would I somewhere
Might house my heart with thee!

John Vance Cheney, in Scribner's.

Items of Interest.

Why is a candle like a tombstone? Because it is often set for a "late husband."

"Each moment makes you dearer," as the parsimonious husband said to his extravagant wife.

There is many a [illegible] tongue could govern [illegible] if her could only govern his tongue.

The increasing number of suicides in the Prussian army is creating much uneasiness in military circles.

There are $1,417,540 one dollar bills in circulation, and it seems as if an editor might get hold of one once in a while.

"Gentlemen of leisure, taking sun baths," is the title by which corner loafers are to be henceforth distinguished.

A citizen of Minneapolis, Minn., says that if he is ever to be mayor of the city the office must seek him, the same as his creditors do.

A personal editor, two shotguns and a flour sack of assorted type, are said to complete the outfit of a Black Hills newspaper office.

"Life is short," remarks an exchange. This is where we and life resemble each other as much as two peas, adds the Norwich *Bulletin*.

By a resolution of the city council of Mobile, all cotton factories erected within the corporate limits will be relieved from taxation for ten years.

"Shirley" is looking to Mrs. Hayes to stop the "extravagant overdressing." Let her see that a reef is taken in the extravagant underskirting as well.

The Norwich *Bulletin* says: "Spring has come at last. Spring is composed of biliousness, hand organs, four feet of mud, blue pills and unrequited love."

Four-year-old to his mother holding the baby: "Say, mamma, say! Zat squawling little baby seems to wink 'ee's ze only chile you got! I'd give him back again!"

A widow in Iowa, whose husband was burned to death while under imprisonment for drunkenness, has obtained a judgment, for $6,000 against the man who sold him liquor.

The misery of a young man in Rome, the *Sentinel* says, who courts a sparkling, fashionable belle and loses her, is only excelled by the misery of the man who courts her and wins her.

"Why, Sammy," said a father to his little son the other day, "I didn't know that your teacher whipped you last Friday." "I guess," he replied, "if you had been in my trousers you'd know'd it."

Three hundred girls were recently reported to have been sold as slaves in Cairo, and the British government has requested its representative in Egypt to make inquiries with a view to remonstrance.

An excellent old deacon, who, having won a fine turkey at a charity raffle, didn't like to tell his severe orthodox wife how he came by it, quietly remarked, as he handed her the turkey, that the "Shakers gave it to him."

It is expected that the Indian prisoners now confined at St. Augustine, Fla., will soon be pardoned. Many of the younger ones have expressed a desire to remain in civilized ranks and attend school instead of running wild on the plains.

A French policemen arrested three prisoners, and not having the handcuffs to secure them, he just cut off their suspender buttons. Their hands were thus occupied, and they couldn't run away, so they were marched safely to prison.

A facetious physician, an old bachelor, said the other day to a single lady: "How can you with a clear conscience answer St. Peter when you shall reach heaven's gate, for your heartlessness in refusing so many marriage offers?" The lady archly replied: "I shall tell the apostle that Dr. —— did not ask me."

Nebraska farmers are attempting the domestication of the buffalo. The wild animals, while young, are introduced among herds of the tame stock, only one or two at a time. Half and quarter breeds are very hardy. In the yield of milk the cows raised of mixed stock give even more than the average of rich milk.

The will of the rich man of the future will read: "To the respective attorneys of my children I give my entire estate and worldly goods of all descriptions. Personally to the children and to my beloved wife I give all that remains." This instrument will satisfy the family and save the trouble of proving the old man insane.

A boy of nineteen years and a girl of fourteen, in Sacramento county, California, were so determined to marry, in spite of the well grounded opposition of the parents of both, that they ran away to San Francisco, hired a tug, and, taking a minister, went three miles out to sea and had the union made legal by, or at least, where there was no law prohibiting it.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 19, 1877.

The Coming War.

War in Europe is considered inevitable. The Turkish government has rejected the terms of the proposition of the other European powers, and both Russia and Turkey are making preparations for active hostilities. A formal declaration of war may be delayed a few weeks, but it is hardly considered now that war can be averted. For the benefit of our readers who may not be posted in European politics we condense from the New York *Times* a brief resume of the causes which led to the present crisis:

By the Treaty of Paris, in 1856, the European powers declared that they would all respect the independance of the Ottoman Empire. They expressly declared that they had no right, individually or collectively, to meddle with the relations of the Sultan with his subjects, or with the interior administration of his Empire. During the past twenty years, this treaty has been respected. In 1866 the people of Crete revolted against Turkish rule, and, with few inconsiderable exceptions, the Christian powers of the world stood by and saw the Greek Christians of that hapless island put down by the barbarous means with which the Turks always put down a rebellion.

Finally, Bulgaria tried to rise. Turkey resorted to the expedients usually employed in such cases. If Turkey had treated the insurgents as Spain treated the Carlists, or as France treated the Algerines, or as the United States treated the Southern rebels, there would have been no occasion for the interference of other nations. But the warfare employed by the Turks in Bulgaria was not civilized warfare; it was barbarous, brutal, savage. Men were impaled, women were outraged, and babes were burned alive. The Turkish soldiers were demons let loose. In the end Bulgaria was reduced to silence.

In this condition of things, a conference of the European powers was called. The avowed object of this conference was to find out what should be done to secure lasting and honorable peace in Turkey. It should be borne in mind that all of the contentions which had arisen in the Christian provinces of Turkey had been justly charged to the misgovernment of the Sublime Porte. The Christian in Turkey is a bondman. The Mohammedan is armed; the Christian is unarmed. The Mohammedan bears rule; the Christian is bound to obey. The Mohammedan is lord of the soil; the Christian is a serf. The laws are administered by the Mohammedan; a Christian's evidence against a Mohammedan offender is worthless. To crown all, the Pashas, who are Mohammedans, have at their mercy the provincial subjects of the Porte. So long as these petty tyrants pay their dues to the central power, they are undisturbed in their local "government." Their subjects are robbed, outraged, and murdered, and without hope of redress. Against these evils humanity protested. A power which was acknowledged to be an invader and a foreigner in Europe practiced these crimes. And, what was worse, that power existed in Europe by the sufferance of nominally Christian nations. The Constantinople conference was fruitless. The Turk, who has never kept his promises, was left to go on making and breaking them. There has been no serious attempt to contradict the reports of abuses which led to the outbreaks in Bulgaria, Bosnia, and adjacent provinces. There was some feeble denial of the more horrifying reports of atrocities in Bulgaria. But the main facts were admitted. Turkey, however, ultimately promised to do better. The paper constitution which she proclaimed last Winter was a new promise. And, all through the conference, these fair promises were multiplied. Finally, a few weeks ago, Russia, weary of this eternal renewal of pledges of reformation, proposed the protocol. By this document the Treaty of Paris was at last annulled; for, by that treaty, to which Turkey was a party, the powers bound themselves not to interfere with the interior affairs of Turkey. By the protocol, which Turkey was not asked to sign, the other powers did interfere, and, what is more, they distinctly threatened to use radical means to compel Turkey to treat its Christian subjects with due regard to the usages of modern civilization.

Turkey defeated the Constantinople conference. Turkey rejected the protocol. The Sublime Porte, we may say, assumed a defiant attitude, and declared that this latest interferance with its internal affairs was an unwarrantable infringement of its sovereignty. Russia had added to the protocol a declaration to the effect that Turky must expect war unless the Sublime Porte should satisfy the Czar that its reforms in the Christian provinces were genuinely undertaken; and an envoy was to be sent to St. Petersburg to treat of peace when these new guarantees were ready to be executed. Turkey refused to recognize the Russian right to demand any terms of peace, and declined to entertain the Russian proposition of settlement. Therefore, war is inevitable. England, heretofore the ally and friend of Turkey, is actively so no longer. France is neutral. Italy is hostile to Turkey. Austria and Germany may be said to hold the balance of power on the land. There is no sign of their future intentions. But it is incredible that Russia should rush into war with Turkey without some assurance of the assistance or friendly neutrality of these powerful neighbors. Within a few weeks we shall be able, pretty accurately, to group the larger features of the impending strife.

Alleck. McClure, the editor of the Philadelphia *Times*, has achieved the distinction of taking a public thrashing in the public streets, at the hands of a naval contractor who thus took a bully's revenge for the hard things Alleck had said about him in the *Times*. His assailant took a very foolish way to "get even" with the editor, but no one who has ever seen the swelling and elegant Alleck or read his paper can repress a smile as he reads the account, and the bystanders must have enjoyed the scene.

It is confidently predicted that the coming European war will touch all nerves of American trade and industry. It will open vast and profitable markets for everything we can produce, and set all the wheels of business in active motion. Our banks will find employment for all their idle money. Our railroads will be burdened with freights. A mighty stimulus will be given to the raising of grain and pork, and to the manufacture of arms, clothing and military supplies, and we shall recover within the ensuing two years more than we have lost since the great panic.

Mr. Wade Hampton has novel views about the effect of *quo warranto* proceedings on the offices whose title is disputed. He disclaims all intention of anticipating the decision of the courts, but he insists on his right to oust the legally-constituted incumbents of the State offices, though not put in actual possession of the rooms occupied by them, it is evident that Mr. Wade Hampton thinks judicial proceedings in these cases somewhat of an empty form. His procedure has at least the merit of simplicity, and might easily be expanded into the establishment of a species of patriarchal rule for the State. The trifling objection that South Carolina would not, under this system, enjoy a republican form of government is, of course, too frivolous to be taken into account.—*N. Y. Times.*

SURFACE TOPICS.

There are $60,000 barmaids in Great Britain. What a place for Murphy.

The women of Minnesota who are twenty-one years of age and citizens of the United States, now have the right to vote for all school officers.

A New Orleans telegram to the Chicago *Tribune* says that Wayne McVeagh is recognized there as the most conservative man on the commission after General Hawley.

The Philadelphia Methodist Conference passed a resolution that "hereafter, single men entering the Conference should not marry until they had been in the ministry two years."

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Nasby appeals to Hayes to "take the grasp of nine hundred negro paws from the throtes of three millions of southerners, and let em breathe." The appeal will undoubtedly be granted, and the chivalrous bulldozers will soon breathe freely, without fear of the law.

The march toward specie resumption is going quietly on without flurry of trumpets and sound of drums, which General Grant longed for, towards the close of his administration. Ten millions more of fractional currency to be exchanged for silver is announced, to be followed by more orders of the same kind as soon as possible. With gold quiet at 106 in New-York, and nominally at par on the Pacific slope, resumption does not seem impracticable in the near future.

Democratic here are on Edmonds' ballot-box reserved a Penn Exemption & the Ohio Legislature last week. A supplementary bill to prevent illegal voting was rejected by the solid vote of the Democratic majority. They did not propose to cast any shadow on Banning's title to his seat.

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HENRY C. CRAWFORD,
Administrator.

Mar. 29, 1877.—6*

DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between Joshua Davis & G. M. James, of Keating, Pa., under the firm of Davis & James, was dissolved on the ten th day of March 1877, by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be received by said Joshua Davis and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

JOSHUA DAVIS,
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Keating, March 19, 1877.—6-3y

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a.m.	p.m.			p.m.	p.m.
7 10	4 20	Dep.....Buffalo.....Ar		7 55	5 45
7 46	4 59	.....	Elma	7 16	5 12
7 59	5 14	.....	Aurora	7 03	4 58
8 50	6 04	.....	Arcade	6 08	4 03
9 09	6 17	.....	Yorkshire	5 47	3 46
9 05	6 25	.....	Machias	5 39	3 38
9 27	6 45	.....	Franklinville	5 21	3 20
10 01	7 20	.....	Ilmsdale	4 51	2 48
10 20	7 45	.....	Erie R.R. Junction	4 35	2 33
10 34	7 45	.....	Olean	4 22	2 20
10 48	.....	.....	Weston's	4 12	.....
10 51	.....	.....	Portville	4 04	.....
11 04	.....	.....	Sime Line	3 55	.....
11 18	.....	.....	Eldred	3 40	.....
11 30	.....	.....	LARAMIE	3 28	.....
11 36	.....	.....	Sartwell	3 22	.....
11 42	.....	.....	Turtle Point	3 16	.....
12 00	.....	.....	Port Allegany	3 02	.....
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12 58	.....	.....	Shippen	2 12	.....
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NIAGARA EXPRESS	leaves	Renovo	4 45 p. m
"	"	" Driftwood	6 55 p. m
"	"	" Kane	8 50 p. m
"	"	arr. at Kane	9 20 p. m
ERIE MAIL	leaves	Philadelphia	11.55 p. m
"	"	Renovo	11 00 a. m
"	"	" Emporium	12.55 p. m
"	"	" Kane	2.10 p. m
"	"	arr. at Erie	7.35 p. m

EASTWARD.

DAY EXPRESS	leaves	Kane	6.05 a. m
"	"	" Emporium	8.10 a. m
"	"	" Driftwood	9.55 a. m
"	"	" Renovo	10.10 a. m
ERIE MAIL	leaves	Erie	11.00 a. m
"	"	" Kane	3.50 p. m
"	"	" Emporium	5.10 p. m
"	"	" Renovo	6.25 p. m
"	"	arr. at Philadelphia	7.05 a. m

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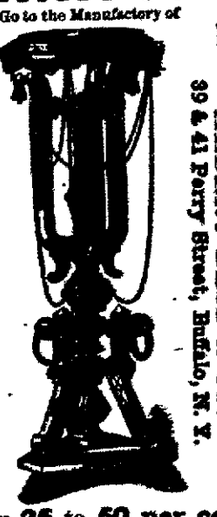

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BAPTIST—O J ENOS, pastor. Services Sunday at 10½ a. m. and at 7½ p. m. Sunday school immediately after the morning services. Preaching once in two weeks at the Hafner school house

EPISCOPAL—H G MILLER, Rector. Services on the 1st and 3d Sunday of each month at 10½ a. m. and 7½ p. m. Sabbath School at 9 a. m.

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— Major Ansburn Towner, city editor of the Elmira Advertiser has written a novel

— We were pleased to notice Jem T Kean on our streets to-day looking well and hearty

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— They are talking of building some oil refineries on the south bank of the Susquehanna opposite Williamsport

— When, oh, when, will the owner of that unsightly pile of brick in the Court House yard remove it?

— In exchange says the Wilcox Lumbering company have contracted with the Turkish government for forty tons of hair

There are only eight counties in the State wherein morning newspapers in receipt of telegraphic news are published

— W J Mirken, Esq., made us a pleasant call this morning Will reports business much better at Tarport this month than last.

— Constable Benj. Cummings, of Eldred Township, placed in Sheriff Bing's hands yesterday the widow-robber advertisement in our Eldred correspondence.

— New butter is selling for an average price of 20 cents per pound in all the stores and large towns, yet we have to pay 30 cents for it in Smethport. Is there no remedy for this state of things?

— Thomas Stevenson is about to quit business in Williamsport with a view of moving in the McKean county oil district.—Williamsport Bulletin.

— The village cow seems to be aware of the fact that a new borough council has been elected, and that a poundmaster has not been appointed.

— The Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin has changed hands. It has heretofore been one of the sprightliest and best dailies on our exchange list, and we trust it will sustain its reputation under the new management.

— John McNamara, better known as Jack Mack, who shot Ellen Callahan at Corning on Easter Sunday, a year ago, and who disappeared so mysteriously, has been captured in Chicago. He passed through Buffalo in charge of an officer on Saturday, handcuffed and chackled

— A chap who was arrested at Bridgeville some months ago for stealing a torpedo case, was bailed, and "jumped" the bail, was captured at Tarport and returned to the jail on Monday C H Foster and P. T. Kennedy were his bail, and Con. Lane captured the bird.

— Hon W W. Brown says he has strong hopes that oil may be struck near Smethport, so that he may have an inducement to return and settle among us again. If for no other reason, let us hope and pray that the oil may be found.

— He was a magnificent and patronizing clerk of a Buffalo hotel. "Aw! from McKean county, I see," said he to a guest who had just booked. "You are in oil I suppose?" "In oil," thundered the surly Pennsylvanian. "No! Do you suppose that I'm a sardine, like you?"

— Mart. Smith now steps as proudly and carries himself as loftily as *de facto* Governor Wade Hampton. He can call himself at least a *de facto* Grandfather, from the fact that one of his "boys" Asb. Reilly, has become a father, and no doubt Mart. is just as proud as any *de jure* grandfather would be.

— We would call the attention of those wishing instruction in Instrumental or Vocal Music to the card of Mrs. Shoemaker in another column. She is not only an admirable musician, but is said to be a first class instructor.

— A Little "schrimmage" which took place at the mansion of S. Glenn, Esq., opposite the depot resulted in one of the parties being brought before Justice Smith on Tuesday. Bail was given, and the case will no doubt be settled before Court —and thus spoil a sensation in high life.

— We acknowledge the receipt of complimentary tickets to the Second Annual Promenade Concert and Reception of the Bradford Exchange Association, on Friday evening of this week. Wable's Band, of Buffalo, will furnish the music, and it will no doubt be one of the most elegant and enjoyable affairs of the season.

— Warley Gifford, of the firm of Hazlett & Gifford, returned from a visit to the city yesterday, to make a selection of goods to suit their rapidly increasing patronage. It is to be the policy of this firm to buy their goods often and in small quantities, and thus be able to supply their patrons with the latest city prices. It is a good notion, and sure to be successful.

— Judge Williams has decided to attend the General Alliance of the Presbyterian Church to meet in Edinburgh, Scotland, next July. It will be necessary for him to leave home about the middle of June. He will be accompanied by Mrs. Williams, and after the adjournment of the Alliance, about the 5th of July, they will take a rapid trip through the most interesting parts of Scotland, England and France, remaining abroad about six weeks or two months.

— The handbills offering $100 reward for the escaped prisoners we confess was printed at this office in the hurry and confusion of moving and put up regardless of appearances The boys say that is bad enough, and they are ashamed of it, but they want us to distinctly announce that they did not "throw together" the handbill offering the $200 reward It was filled at this place but was not printed here In justice to the boys in the job room we make this statement

— The state election this November will be for a supreme judge for twenty-one years, an auditor general for three years, and a state treasurer for two years In November 1878, a governor, lieutenant governor and secretary of internal affairs are to be elected, each to serve for four years At the same time will be elected twenty-five state senators, in the even numbered districts, to serve for four years, and two hundred members of the house, to serve for two years, also members of congress, and in the several counties, county officers.

— As will be seen by reading the proceedings of the Board of Trustees of the M. E. Church, in another column, the work of repairing the church building is to be commenced immediately In fact, it has already commenced The unsafe and not overly handsome steeple has been removed and the roof shingled in it stead The building is to be moved back and placed upon a new foundation The removal of the steeple does not add to the beauty of the building very materially, but we understand that it is the intention of the trustees to build a new steeple from the ground if their funds are sufficient, which it is to be hoped may be the case.

— We are sorry to read that our old friend and employer, C G. Fairman, the editor of the Advertiser, has been removed from the office of Postmaster of Elmira city to satisfy the demands of certain politicians of the district. All admit that Mr Fairman has served the public faithfully and well in his administration of the office, and we fail to see where the much vaunted idea of civil service reform comes in by his removal. We supposed the cardinal doctrine of the c. s. r. faith consisted in the retention or promotion of capable officers, and not the kicking of them out to make room for hungry and hell-seeking aspirants. But we live and learn

— The story of the wanderings of John McNamara, the unfortunate murderer of Ellen Callahan, in Corning, makes more interesting reading than the Tweed story After he had committed the fatal deed he had little recollection of what happened until he found himself in the woods. He wandered about two or three days until he reached Watkins. From there he went to Canandaigua, Syracuse and Albany; from thence to Springfield, Mass., and to Boston; thence to New York, and from there back to Hartford and Quincy, Mass, back again to New York, where he took a steamer to London. He remained in London two months, and worked his passage to Spain, and remaining but one day, continued to Havana, and remaining there eight days, worked his way to New Orleans He worked several weeks in that vicinity for planters and finally stole his way on the cars to Chicago, making the journey in six weeks. Here he met an acquaintance and was arrested. The spirit of the poor girl has followed him in all his wanderings, not allowing him to rest, and making his life a torture.

SNOW FALL.—The Warren Mail of last week says: "Mr. W. Green, living at Kinzua, this county, states that from Nov. 25, 1876, to Jan. 15, 1877, 27 inches of snow fell; from Jan. 15, to Feb. 17, 2 inches fell; and from Feb. 17, to April 2, 26 inches fell, making a total of 55 feet and 5 inches."

5,000 Trout.

Hon. W. W. Brown, of Corry, is always a welcome visitor whenever he finds time and occasion to spend a few hours or days among his old time Smethport friends, but his visit on Monday was doubly welcome to the lovers of the sport of trout fishing. He had in charge a goodly sized tin can, having the appearance somewhat of a milk-can, containing 5,000 young trout. They were sent here by the State Fish Commissioners from their hatching house at Corry, for deposit at the headwaters of one or more of our trout streams. The little baby speckled beauties were eight weeks old, about an inch in length, and full an lively and good to look upon as healthy babies usually are. One seldom looks upon a prettier sight than they presented sporting about in the can, or resting upon the bottom piled upon one another in the form of a diminutive hay-cock. They had been in the can all day, and it was necessary to empty them as soon as possible, therefore an impromptu meeting was called of such of the citizens as could be called together, and it was hastily decided that the best place of deposit for this first consignment was in Marvin creek, above Jabez Gallup's mill, and there they were deposited to "grow up with the country." The Fish Commissioners promise to send us 10,000 next Spring, and if they live and are unmolested until they grow to full size, our trout streams will be amply stocked, and trout fishing will again be a satisfactory sport.

THE NEW STAY LAW.

OPINION OF JUDGE TROUTEY—"THE ACT DOES NOT APPLY TO CASES WHERE STAY OF EXECUTION IS WAIVED BY CONTRACT NOR CLAIMS FOR LABOR."

Inasmuch as there is a difference of opinion among legal gentlemen in regard to the force of the new stay law in cases where stay of execution has previously been waived, we give below the decision of Judge Trunkey, of Venango county, in the case of Gordon vs Green et al., at the April term, to which the law was involved. The Judge says

The defendants executed a mortgage to plaintiff, dated November 23, 1875, to secure the payment of $1,568, in one year from date, and containing the following "All stay of, or exemption from, execution, or extension of time of payment, which may be given by any act or acts of assembly now in force, or which may be enacted hereafter, are hereby forever waived and released." Scire facias was issued on the mortgage and prosecuted to judgment. Levari facias was issued on the 23d of January, 1877, returnable on the fourth Monday of April The property was advertised for sale before the 23d of March, 1877 The defendants moved for stay of the sale because no appraisement had been had under the stay law of that date.

The act of March 23, 1877, is nearly a literal copy of the stay law of July 16, 1842 Its constitutionality may, therefore be considered as adjudicated (Chadwick vs Moore, 8 W & S, 49) It does not express terms, and need not by construction embrace a case where the defendant, by contract, has waived a stay of execution A provision giving a stay in such a case would be void. (Ellmeyer vs. Evans, 4 Wright, 324.) If the intention was to include, in the provisions of the act, cases where stay of execution has been waived by contract, to that extent the act is unconstitutional But it is not clear that there is such intendment. The rule must be discharged.

The United States Hotel

It was rumored some time ago that this spring would witness the retirement of Messrs. D Bonney & Son from the management of the United States Hotel. Although meditating such a step, these well-known landlords have reconsidered their determination and decided to continue as managers of the old and favored house. Coming to Buffalo when it was a small city, no one man has figured more prominently in our hotel interests and with better success than David Bonney. Although much younger in the business, his son George Bonney has won a wide reputation as an able and popular hotel-keeper. The firm have retained as clerk P. E. Stone, who has acted in the capacity with them for several years. Mr. Stone has been connected with many first-class hotels in the state, and by his affable and obliging manners has made a host of friends. During the coming season the United States Hotel will undoubtedly continue to maintain the high reputation it bears in Western New York. Ever anxious to please their large patronage, the Messrs. Bonney have had the hotel throughout renovated and newly painted. New furniture has been provided for the rooms and other extensive repairs made. Centrally located on the Terrace, near Main street, in the very heart of the business part of the city, with first-class accommodations at reasonable prices, and with commodious sample rooms attached, it is especially recommended to the patronage of commercial travelers. Country people visiting the city will also find it to their advantage to obtain quarters at this hotel. —Buffalo Express.

Boiler Explosion.

We copy the following account of a terrible boiler explosion which occurred at Rogers & Campbell's mill in Clarion county, on the 22d, ult. One of the owners, Mr. Llewellyn Rogers, is a brother of Hon. L. Rogers of this place:

There where, but a few hours before, stood a well arranged saw mill and machinery, and a crew of fine healthy men, in the very prime of life and the very picture of health, and in a moment of time when the steam was up to over 120 lbs., and it was supposed the engineer was in the act of turning on the pump, away went the boiler, tearing everything to pieces in all directions. There was not one stick of timber of the mill left standing. The boiler was torn to pieces and thrown in all directions. Part of the boiler was thrown over twenty rods. The fireman, Joseph Swobenhauer, of Sayersburg, was thrown at least ten rods, being instantly killed—having his clothes and boots all blown off—one arm blown off and the hand blown from the arm. Where his body was picked up, the ground looked as though there had been an animal slaughtered. In a few minutes after I arrived on the ground, Wm. Landers, son of one of the proprietors, a young man about 20 years of age, breathed his last. The wounded men are J. Market, James English, H. A. Larcey and Kurtz Schutz.

Horse-Shoeing at Reduced Prices.

Horses will be shod at my shop for $2.00 a span; new set for 50 cents; toed and set for $1.00. All work warranted for six weeks.

C. CLEVELAND.

April 17. 1877-6p

BRADFORD CORRESPONDENCE.

[FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.]

BRADFORD, PA., APRIL 16, 1877.

To the Editor of the Miner:

The oil market continues to tumble.—Prices are lower, sales lighter, and operators feel blue again United is quoted today at $2 49. The pipe lines here are not in the market at any price, but a few sales have been made at $3 90.

O'Dell is building a rig on John Connolls' farm, Kendall Creek.

Whitney, Wheeler & Co. have built a new rig in Harrisburg, opposite depot. It stands in the middle of a street, to the great disgust of property owners in that neighborhood. As an observatory it might be tolerated, but as an oil well—never!

The Fisher well, on Kendall Creek, has a crooked hole, which bothers them a good deal. It is down about 800 feet.

The P. C. L. & P Co.'s drilling well No. 17, Melvin, struck a vein of gas last Thursday night at a depth of 800 feet, which communicated with the forge, creating a blaze. the derrick was completely destroyed, but no further damage was done. The driller succeeded in getting out in time The same company have taken down two of the three 1500 barrel tanks standing near the Union tanks; one of which is cut down into small tanks, and the other is set up on Melvin Hill as a water reservoir. They are also putting down another well on the Raub farm, making six in all.

The weather is delightful and the roads are drying fast.

The town improvements are marching up Congress street this time; some tasty dwelling houses are building, and Mrs. Holmes fashionable boarding house has been greatly enlarged, good sidewalks extend both sides of the street most of the way

Sunday night Mr and Mrs I. C. Blakeslee lost their youngest child, aged one year, with inflammation of the lungs They take the remains to Olean to-morrow for interment

Last Sunday a team with a load of lumber got fast on the railroad crossing foot of Main street just as a train was coming in, prompt action on the part of some bystanders prevented what otherwise might have been a serious accident.

After the usual devotional exercises at Saturday night's Temperance meeting, the Hon W C. Plummer, of Titusville, was introduced He informed us that though having been a moderate drinker he considered total abstinence more profitable especially so for those of the working class who would otherwise spend their money for drink that was needed by their families and little ones The working man owed it to himself, his family and his country, to abstain from intemperance. The rum seller was following a business made necessary by the wants of the drinking community, sanctioned by the legislature and should not be denounced He wanted all temperance men who had not signed the pledge to combine with those who had, as in combination was strength, which was fully illustrated in the building of railroads or other great enterprises. To those who did not like to sign a pledge to abstain from drinking he would say it was *not* signing away their liberty but was signing a charter *for* liberty? The grand temperance wave came at the right time, ten years ago the country was not ripe for it, we were too prosperous then. He then went up and down the gamut of history and politics, to show the march of progress and reform from the earliest ages to the present time. Mr Plummer is a fluent speaker, but his address on Saturday night was a mixture of temperance, politics and sermonizing He wears his hair long, Lorenzo Dow style, and paces up and down the stage like a caged wild beast. Before the meeting closed subscriptions were solicited for the erection of a public reading room to be located some where on Congress street. About four hundred dollars was voted by a few present conditionary. The conditions being that six hundred dollars should be raised by general subscription, making one thousand in all

Another temperance meeting was held at the opera house on Sunday evening a description of which would only be a repetition of that of Saturday.

Through compliments of the Bradford Exchange Association invitations have been issued for a Second Annual Promenade Concert and Reception to be held at the Exchange rooms on Friday evening next—besides being high toned it will be a very nobby affair no doubt.

Besides a new plank walk in front of the Bradford House green painted lattice work is being added to the stoop basement. The proprietors are bound to make the house look nice if they don't sell a drink.

One of the three story buildings on the south side of Public Square bears the sign of "Excelsior Building" Fixtures are going into the store part which denotes occupancy of same sort.

With the advent of Spring Phil. W. Roth decorates his bar-room with new and brilliant papering. One of the first-class hotels in town is the HOTEL ROTH.

D.D.

— Mr. M. E. Beebe, of Buffalo, is the architect and building superintendent of the new Court House at Warren, and a Courier interviewer gathers from him the following description of the building:

This splendid structure is to cost nearly $100,000. It is already inclosed, and will be completed in September. Designed in the Italian Renaissance style, the edifice is 72 by 112 feet. two stories in height and with a large dome, clock and bell tower. surmounted by a statue of "Justice." The materials are brick with a good deal of very heavy Ohio sandstone, the general appearance being that of massiveness and enduring solidity. The floors are fire-proof, brick arched between iron girders. The lower story will be occupied by the county officers. In the second story there will be a very fine court-room, 58by98 feet and 25 feet in height, handsomely ornamented with stucco work. The first floor is to be finished entirely in walnut, provided by Clark, Holland & Co. of this city. The Union Iron Works furnish the iron beams. Mr. Alex. Brash the pressed brick, and Jones & Sons the fire-proof vault. The exterior cornices will be of galvanized iron, and the corridors will be paved with marble.

Eldred Items.

ELDRED, Pa., April, 17th 1877.

DIED.—On Thursday, the 12th inst., at Mixed Creek, Eldred, George Stull, in the 83d year of his age.

A Covenant meeting of the members of the Baptist church will be held in the Union church, Eldred, on Saturday the 28th inst., commencing at 2 o'clock p. m. The Rev. S. D. Morris, of the State Line and other friends are expected to be present.

The renting of the pews of the Union church for the present year takes place to-day (Tuesday) at 1 o'clock, p. m. in the church.

The Juniors of our village met in Barden's Hall on Saturday night last and organized a base ball club. We did not get any more particulars, but will give them in our next with the names of the players.

BUILDING NOTES.—Considerable building and improvements is still going on in the village with a prospect of still more as the summer advances. Halbert & Lamphier are getting the lumber on their lot against the railroad crossing preparatory to building a blacksmith and wagon shop. E. T. Dennis has a new dwelling house nearly completed on Barden Brook. Mr. V. Turner also has one in the same locality nearly finished; and Albert Walcott is building an addition to his house. Numerous other improvements are going on in the neighborhood showing a change for the better.

A number of our citizens were present on Saturday last assisting at the raising of the frame work of the new lumber mill, now building by Mr. Waisman. The mill is expected to be completed and in running order in a few weeks.

We have not heard the annual cry of pigeons yet this season, nor have we heard of any being seen in our section, which is something unusual.

A quantity of rafts left here last week and more yesterday (Monday) Those that left yesterday had to abandon the trip on account of the lowness of the water.

OIL NEWS.—The drillers engaged at the Rennie, Packard & Trumbower's well, Indian Creek, after drilling over 1100 feet suddenly ceased from their labors on Thursday evening, the 12th inst All sorts of rumors are afloat concerning the cause and your correspondent cannot enlighten your readers, but it is believed that operators will commence again in a few days. The whole of the machinery, etc., for the McMullin & Halleck well in the same vicinity is now on the ground, the conductor hole excavated, the derrick in position and the drill is to be started on Wednesday, the 18th inst. Although these wells are claimed as belonging exclusively to Olean, our citizens, from the fact of their being so close to our village, feel considerable interest in their welfare, for should oil be found, of which there is little doubt, our village will be considerably benefited thereby.

BURGLARY.—Some miserable wretches in the guize of human beings broke into the dwelling house of Mrs. George Stull, on Mixed Creek, on Sunday night last, by getting through the cellar windows, and cleared the place of all they could lay their hands on in the shape of provisions. The poor woman only buried her husband the day previous, and this is a most serious loss to her and her family. We trust these wretches may be caught, as burglaries are getting pretty frequent in that locality.

LATER.

ELDRED, PA. APRIL 18, 1877.

One of the wretches that were engaged in the burglary at the widow Stull's on Sunday night last was arrested yesterday (Tuesday.) His name is Wm. Hamilton, residence, Milgrove, N Y. Part of the stolen property was found in the prisoner's barn, and he confessed to the crime, implicating two other accomplices who are still at large. He was brought before Justice C. C Moses on Tuesday evening, but waived an examination and gave bail for his appearance at court. We trust this will be the means of breaking up a gang of thieves who have been committing depredations in this section throughout the winter.

The renting of the pews in the Union church took place yesterday, the amount realized $114.

The drillers at the Bennie, Packard & Trumbower's well Indian Creek, commenced operations again yesterday noon.

VERITAS.

Kendall Creek Items.

[The following communication was received too late for publication last week.—ED.]

KENDALL CREEK, APRIL 10, 1876.

Some time since I saw a request in your paper for local news from various parts of the county. I will endeavor to give you a few items from the vicinity of Tarport: (called Kendall Creek P O.) The town is rapidly increasing in population; new buildings are going up on every side, and are occupied by new comers as soon as completed.

The Murphy Temperance Movement has wrought a great reformation in this locality during the past few weeks; about twenty-three hundred names have been added to the temperance army in this valley. In the town of Bradford, hotels that were doing a thriving business by selling liquor before the temperance movement have decreased to about one-fifth the amount per day.

Mr. W. C Hooker, of Angelica, N Y., taught a writing school in several of the school districts last winter. He had full schools and many were greatly benefited by his instructions

The winter schools are all closed. The State Line school taught by Mr. Geo. W May, closed April 4th, with an exhibition in the evening; every thing passed off pleasantly, and will be long remembered by teacher, pupils and parents.

The inhabitants of Tarport want a graded school. The board of directors will meet Saturday April 14th to consider the matter, and if they conclude to have one, make provisions to build another school-room at once.

OBSERVER.

— Our friends at Olean are becoming discouraged, and don't have so much to say about the great Olean Oil District as formerly. There may be a glimmer of truth in the remark of an operator who had burnt his fingers in the "Olean District" when he said: "You may sink a hole exactly on the line between the two States. and while the Pennsylvania side of the hole will pump oil the York State side will pump WHEY!"

LATEST FROM THE WELL.—The reports from the Haskell well this morning are very encouraging. They entered an excellent sand yesterday noon, which has continued to the time of going to press, with a large and continued increase in the quantity of gas.

MARRIED.—At the residence of E. K. Bell, in Genesee, Allegany Co., N. Y., by Rev. S. D. Morris, Mr. G. N. HASKETT, of Olean, Pa., to MISS HANNAH E. BELL, of Genesee, N. Y.

MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.
Vocal and Instrumental.

Mrs. Shoemaker would announce to the citizens of Smethport and vicinity that she intends to devote her entire time the coming season to giving instructions in Instrumental music and Vocal Culture. She will also make a specialty of instruction in Thorough Bass.

Mrs S. has been engaged in teaching instrumental and vocal music for years with marked success Classes wishing instruction and desiring the services of a first class teacher will find in her a person having no superior in the profession.

She intends commencing the term Tuesday, May 1st. TERMS—$10 per term, 24 lessons, 2 each week.

Board of Trustee Proceedings.

The Board of Trustees of the M E. Church of Smethport met on Saturday, the 14th inst., organized by electing L. Rogers President of the Board and I. S. Gleason Secretary Mrs. H F. Barbour was elected Treasurer.

On motion the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That Rev. J. C Whiteside be appointed chairman of committee to solicit subscriptions for repairing the church building with power to appoint his own committee.

Resolved, That the work of repairing the building shall consist in moving it back, building a good stone foundation, removing the old steeple, and replacing the same with a good roof.

Resolved, That N. W Abbey be employed as superintendent to oversee the removing of the steeple, moving the building, and building the foundation, at $2.50 per day.

Resolved, That these proceedings be published in the *Miner*

On motion Board adjourned to meet at call of secretary.

I S GLEASON,
Secretary.

Send the News.

The Connewangville Courier expresses our sentiments very correctly in the following:

When any body dies, gets married, runs away, steals any thing, builds a house, makes a big sale, breaks his leg, or gets the senses kicked out of him by a mule, or does anything that is in any way remarkable, and you have reason to believe that you know as much about the occurrence as any body else, don't wait for some other person to report it or trust us to it find out by instinct, but come and tell us about it, or send the facts on a postal card. This is the way news is supplied, and it takes a goodly supply of that necessary article to make a good home paper. See if you cannot improve this year and let us know every item that transpires in your neighborhood.

Notice.

All persons having unsettled accounts with the late Hon. A N. Taylor, are hereby notified that said accounts are now in the hands of John C. Backus, who is Attorney for the Executors of the Estate of said Taylor, who will together with one or more of the said Executors make it a point to be at the office of said Backus, in the borough of Smethport, on Wednesday and Thursday of each week, after next week, for the purpose of settling said accounts. All persons having unsettled accounts as above stated, will please be prompt in answering the notice, and thereby save themselves costs.

A. E TAYLOR,)
D. C. YOUNG, } Executors.
F. N. TAYLOR,)

Smethport, Pa. Nov. 16, 1876.—tf

E. F. Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron

Has never been known to fail in the cure of weakness, attended with symptoms, indisposition to exertion, loss of memory, difficulty of breathing, general weakness, horror of disease, weak nervous trembling, dreadful horror of death, night sweats, cold feet, weakness, dimness of vision, languor, universal lassitude of the muscular system, enormous appetite with dyspeptic system, hot hands, flushing of the body, dryness of the skin, pallid countenance and eruptions on the face, purifying the blood, pain in the back, heaviness of the eyelids, frequent black spots flying before the eyes with temporary suffusion and loss of sight, want of attention, etc. These symptoms all arise from a weakness, and to remedy that, use E. F. Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron It never fails. Thousands are now enjoying health who have used it. Get the genuine. Sold only in $1 bottles. Take only E. F. Kunkel's.

Ask for Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron. This truly valuable tonic has been so thoroughly tested by all classes of the community that it is now deemed indispensable as a tonic medicine It costs but little, purifies the blood and gives tone to the stomach, renovates the system and prolongs life. I now only ask a trial of this valuable tonic. Price $1 per bottle E. F. Kunkel, sold proprietor, No. 230 North Ninth street, below Vine, Philadelphia, Pa. Ask for Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron, and take no other. A photograph of the proprietor on each wrapper; all others are counterfeit. Beware of counterfeits. Do not let your druggist sell you any but Kunkel's, which is put up only as above represented. You can get six bottles for $5. All I ask is one simple trial

PARR WORM REMOVED ALIVE. Head and all complete in two hours. No fee till head passes. Scan, pin and stomach worms removed by Dr. Kunkel, 230 North Ninth street. Advice free No fee until head and all passes in one, and notice Dr. Kunkel is the only successful physician in this country for the removal of worms, and his worm syrup is pleasant and safe for children or grown persons. Send for a circular, or ask for a bottle of Kunkel's Worm Syrup. Price $1 per bottle. Get it of your druggist. It never fails.

Notice.

Parties having unsettled accounts with me will please call and close the same before the 15th of May next H. HAMLIN. 2p

In all billious climates where fevers exist, James' anti-billious pills will be found more serviceable than any other pill in the market.—James' Pills will be found worthy the highest recommend given them. Sold by all Druggists.

Strayed or Stolen.

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up a stray or stolen horse on my premises Said horse is about 12 years old, dark bay, and one small bone spavin on right hind leg. The owner is requested to call and prove property and pay costs. F. E. TULL.

Mapleton, McKean Co. Pa. April 2, 1877. 14-23-3t

I have used Davis' Home Relief for pain in my livery stable for the last five years, and I think there is no better remedy for spavins, galls, cuts, colic, or in fact any affection of the bowels At one time I sprained my ankle badly, and after suffering terrible agony and loss of sleep, I used one fourth bottle and experienced immediate relief.

JAMES EDMONDS, Sugargrove, Pa.

Sold by A. B. Armstrong, and all druggists.

Read what experience proves about Hazlet's Universal Cough Syrup: "Hazlet's Universal Cough Syrup has been put to a six years test in our trade, with the following result: It gives the best of satisfaction to all our customers, and they testify to that satisfaction by buying for more of it than of any other cough remedy, although we keep in stock a large number of that class of medicines, in fact all that have been heretofore considered most salable. SLAUGHTER & WELLS. Warren, N. Y.

EDITOR'S SETTLEMENT

with the Treasurer of Smethport borough.

M. L. ARMSTRONG, Treasurer of Smethport borough in account with Road Funds for the year 1876.

To ...			
To ain't due as per auditor's report			0 66
To ain't collected from former year			167 78
To ain't returned from Commissioner			19 00
CR.			
By commission allowed coll't Corwin			41 70
By exonerations			11 15
By paid order to Chas. Keefer			18 50
" "	C F. Waller		9 00
" "	C L. Rogers		6 10
" "	S W Pattison		63
" "	E F Waller		66 70
" "	Helen Gallup		90
" "	J C Beckwith		4 25
" "	R Beckwith		18 25
" "	S W Patterson		18 75
" "	E F Waller		19 75
" "	Wm Ramer		10 15
" "	J Abbey		1 00
" "	R C Corwin		1 50
" "	S W Patterson		18 75
" "	A J Hughes		2 50
" "	Wm Ramer		11 17
" "	John Rigel		20 00
" "	H W Bush		20 00
" "	C McCarthy		2 50
" "	Martin Burns		50
" "	C K Sartwell		2 25
" "	Dennis Mullin		5 41
" "	E F Waller		2 50
" "			50
" "	W W Ostrander		87
" "	C McCarthy		19 75
" "	W W Ostrander		2 50
" "	R C Corwin		2 10
" "	Mold King		5 25
" "	R Beckwith		5 25
" "	W W Ostrander		10 00
" "	Helen Gallup		2 50
" "	Frank Corwin		2 50
" "	S W Patterson		18 00
" "	"		7 87
" "	E F Waller		5 56
" "	"		15 00
" "	R Beckwith		2 50
" "	H F Barbour		2 50
" "	Frank Mason		7 50
" "	H M Bush		1 50
" "	W A Williams		10 65
" "	E F Waller		18 75
" "	Jay Smith		1 00
" "	Mrs Frank Kerns		2 50
" "	Frank Mason		2 87
" "	F Vickery		4 12
" "	H M Bush		1 50
" "	W W Ostrander		6 87
" "	H M Bush		1 87
" "	Wm Ramer		14 45
" "	H F Barbour		2 50
" "	Charles Hale		2 87
By paid Boro' Road to C L. Rogers			160 00
" " "	W A Williams		150 00
" " "	H D Hamlin		100 00
"	Interest on Boro Bonds		85 00
By 2 per cent commission on $967 36			19 34
			$1903 04
Amount received		$1903 49	
Balance due Treas		1 55	
		$1905 04	

WE, the undersigned Auditors of Smethport Boro' having examined the accounts and vouchers of M. L. Armstrong, Treasurer of Boro' Road Funds, do find them as above stated. Witness our hands this 9th day of April, A. D. 1877.

C. K. BARTWELL, } Auditors.
M. A. SPRAGUE, }

AUDITORS SETTLEMENT

with the Poor Masters of Smethport Boro'

WM. SPENCER, GILBERT LYMAN and E. F. WALLER, Poor Masters of Smethport borough, in account with Poor Funds from the year 1874 to April 12, 1877.

		Dr.	
To Duplicate issued Febr. 6, 1875		$ 350 00	
To amount rec'd from Emporium Poor District, Dec. 26, 1876		60 26	
To Duplicate issued March 2, '77, uncollected in E F Waller's hands		128 92	
			Cr
By Exonerations			$ 1 25
By Commissioners paid D. L. Forsyth coll't			16 05
By paid Taylor & Young orders			38 85
" " G W Gallup orders			6 60
" " E Casey, orders			6 80
" " D Willis, digging grave			5 50
" " H F Barbour, printing			50
" " Wm Specht, for coffin			12 00
" " H F Wright, keeping [tramps			8 05
" " S Gunnberg, clothing			1 75
" " Dr H L McCoy, services			6 50
" " W S Brownell			25
" " Wm Haskill, keeping [tramps			10 25
" " Richard Hussey, keeping [jug slattery			20 00
" " " "			20 00
" " " "			1 00
" " Wm Specht, services as [Poor Master			2 00
" " G Lyman "			16 00
" " J R Chadwick, order			2 00
" " G M Smith, order			2 75
" " Mrs A P Hide order			31 00
" " for obtaining C Hiser's [trunk			5 10
" " Hugh Glenn, keeping C [Hiser			124 00
" " B F Wright, order			3 00
" " E F Waller, services as [Poor Master			14 50
" " W A Williams, Professional services			25 00
" " W J Brownell, order			5 50
" " H L McCoy, order			8 50
" " J P Wenkel, account			6 77
" " O W Gallup order			2 45
" " H Hamlin order			5 00
Duplicate in E F Waller's hands uncollected			372 45
		$435 18	$985 18

WE, the undersigned Auditors of Smethport Boro' having examined the accounts and vouchers of the above named Poor Masters, do find them as above stated. Witness our hands at Smethport, April 9, 1877.

C. K. BARTWELL, } Auditors.
M. A. SPRAGUE, }

STATEMENT

of the condition of the Road Funds of Ceres Township, April 9, 1877.

		Dr.
To amount due Weston Bros on [merchandise		$958 80
" " C H Smith		28 00
" " Thos Linch		10 50
" " James Higgins		7 12
" " John Fruger		2 96
		Cr
By amount of Road Tax uncollected		$347 41
By excess of Liabilities over Assets		579 99
		$927 37 $927 37

WE, the undersigned Auditors of Ceres Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Statement of the Road Funds of said Township, Ceres, Pa., April 14, 1877

W. K. KING, } Auditors.
G. B. GILLETT }

STATEMENT

of Poor Funds of Ceres Township, April 9, 1877.

Indebtedness of Township	$60 00
Balance of Poor Tax of 1876 in hands of [collector	24 22

WE, the Auditors of Ceres Township, do certify the foregoing to be a true Statement of the Poor Funds of said township at this date, Ceres, Pa., April 14, 1877.

W. K KING, } Auditors.
G B GILLETT }

McKEAN & BUFFALO RAILROAD.

Time table went into effect Monday, March 12th, 1877, at 11 37 o'clock a. m.

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Larabee ..... Leave	11.37 a.m	4 20 p m
Frisbee	11.44	4.27 ....
Farmers Valley	11.56	4 39 ....
Smethport	12.13	4 56 ....
Crosby	12.20	5 12 ....
Colegrove	12.34	5 17 ....
Hamlin	12.40	5.23 ....
Warwag	" "	" ....
Clermont ..... Arrive	1.15 ....

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Chalk,
Crayons,
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Gimlets,
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Glue,
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Gridirons,
Gunpowder,
Grindstones,
Gun Nipples,
Hammers,
Hand Vises,
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Hoes,
Hooks of all kinds,
Horse Pokes,
Horse Rakes,
Horse Hoes,
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Keys,
Knives,
Lamps,
Lanterns,
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Locks,
Mallets,
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Oilers,
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Picks,
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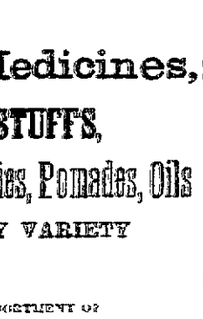

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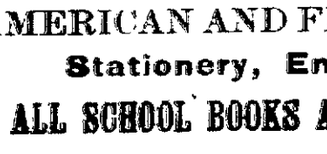

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